



HERE AND THERE

If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

Mr. L. V. Davis is in the city today.

Miss Lizzie Wright returned home last week.

Mr. Alex Martin of Ripley was in the city Saturday.

Mr. Austin Holmes is visiting at New Harmony, O.

Mr. Thomas A. Keith is spending the day in Cincinnati.

Mr. A. Finch is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Archibald Church of Chicago.

Mr. Minnie Dolans of Minerva is the guest of Mrs. Douglas Thomas of Paris.

Mrs. Thomas Gilmore of Huntington, W. Va., has been spending a few days with relatives here.

Mr. Lee B. Gray left Saturday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Danion of Cincinnati.

Mrs. F. S. Andrews left this morning for her home at Findlay, O., after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Russell.

Mrs. Samuel T. Hickman and little daughter have been visiting her father, Mr. Frank Ferrie, near Dover the past week.

Mrs. B. W. Goodman is in Cincinnati to see her father, Colonel W. W. Lamar, who was injured a few days since.

Mr. William McDonald of Chicago is in the city for a few days on business and visiting his uncles, Messrs. Randolph and Robert L. Hoeflich.

All matter for publication must be handed in before 5 o'clock a. m.

New stock of Garden Seed just received. T. J. CHENOWETH, Druggist.

Spring and Summer Millinery Opening at Mrs. M. Archdeacon's March 25, 26 and 27. Cor. Third and Market sts.



THE MAN AND THE FLY.

There was a man in our town

And he was wondrous wise;

He got some sticky paper which

He spread out for the flies—

And made a wicked sound;

"Oh! all the fools the one who first

Did think of catching flies

On sticky paper was the worst!"

He said—and he was wise.

—Chicago Times-Herald.

Lexington's tax levy for 1901 is \$1.20.

Miss Emma Day died Thursday last at Carlisle, aged 19.

The Dover Public Schools will close about the second week in April.

The Dover tobacco factory may resume operations within the next month.

There will be an inspection of Maysville Commandery, K. T., on Wednesday evening.

Miss Alma Kidder, little granddaughter of Mr. James A. Gilliam, was bitten yesterday afternoon by a dog.

Mrs. O. B. Sitt will display a handsome line of Easter Millinery Thursday and Friday, March 29th, 30th.

Mr. J. L. Savage, formerly a merchant at Mt. Gleason, has sold his farm near Vanceburg and gone South on a prospecting tour.

Attorney General Griggs has sent papers to President McKinley recommending the pardon of John L. Bosley, ex-Postmaster at Paris.

Mr. M. Hays of Covington has recovered from his recent severe attack of nervous prostration, and is now with his mother at Augusta.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ray are rejoicing over the arrival of a daughter at their home at Paris. Mrs. Ray was formerly Miss Vaughn of this city.

SEED POTATOES FOR SALE.

All varieties. The largest stock in Northeastern Kentucky.

M. C. RUSSELL & SON.

WHY FOLLOW FALSE GODS?

A Few Facts About the Operations of Itinerants.

MAYSVILLE DEALERS ARE RELIABLE.

THE LEADER does not claim infallibility.

But it is not often mistaken in sizing up a situation that presents itself.

A little better than a week ago a number of Chicago gentlemen established headquarters in this city, for the purpose of canvassing Mason county and selling their wares, which embrace literally everything, from a knitting needle to a threshing machine—excepting, perhaps, one of Uncle Sam's battleships.

Their specialty here, however, has been to dispose of pieces good to reliable persons throughout the county in lots of 50 each; accepting in payment negotiable paper which they had arranged with local banks to discount without recourse.

It was part of the bargain that the purchaser could have his measure taken, the goods sent to Chicago and made up and returned to him without further cost; to which end a cutting establishment was fitted up in the Masonic Temple Building; and it is only fair to say that it has for some days been doing a "hand office business."

THE LEADER, always the champion of the home merchant and those who contribute to its support, has on divers occasions directed attention to the methods of itinerant gentlemen who come among us "for a few days only" in the guise of philanthropists—solely to convince the "dear people" how the home merchant is overcharging them, and what great public benefactors they themselves are;—and then folding up their tents and the purchasers' good bank notes and disappearing forever!

Following its usual course, this paper has made reference on several occasions as to the advisability of our people buying from home merchants instead of from the Chicago philanthropists; and now it comes to another chapter in the story—one that reflects upon a prominent Kentuckian who is in the employ of the Chicago concern.

Friday Deputy Sheriff James Mackey was given a warrant to serve upon Mr. Wallace M. Shelby, former Collector of Internal Revenue of this District, and also a warrant for Mr. A. J. Chessman, another employe of Gifford Mable & Co.

The warrants were issued by the Bourbon County Court, charging that the parties had been peddling there without license; and an accompanying letter from the Bourbon Clerk to the Sheriff here stated that he was personally acquainted with Mr. Shelby and that he would not doubt be able to adjudge matters satisfactorily.

About supper time Sheriff Mackey found Mr. Shelby at the New Central and made known his business.

Mr. Shelby asked permission to call his supper, and, remembering the letter from the Bourbon Court Clerk, Mr. Mackey kindly granted it, more especially as a well known Maysville man stood ready to meet any required bond.

The Manager for Gifford Mable & Co. went to the dining-room, got his supper, and is thought to have left by the kitchen route, as the next heard from Mr. Shelby was a long-distance

telephone message from him at Aberdeen!

The substance of the foregoing is contained in the following special to The Lexington Leader; and The Leader's added remarks will be of interest in this connection:

Special to Lexington Leader.

MAYSVILLE, Ky., March 25d.

Wallace M. Shelby of Lexington, former Collector of Internal Revenue of the Seventh District, is in trouble on account of his employment by the "mail order" house of Gifford Mable & Co. of Chicago, whose plan of sampling and selling goods by wagons throughout the country has aroused the hostility of the local merchants of Central Kentucky. The Chicago concern has been making branch headquarters in Lexington, with Mr. Shelby as one of the Managers, and running a dozen wagons throughout the nearby counties.

Mr. Shelby arrived here a few days ago from Lexington and last night he was notified by Deputy Sheriff Mackey that he had been indicted in Bourbon county for selling goods without a license, and that a bench warrant had been issued for him.

The Clerk of the Bourbon County Court had sent a letter with the warrant authorizing Mr. Shelby to give bond without being put to any unnecessary inconvenience.

THE CHAIRMAN'S OPERATIONS.

When a Leader man called today at the local offices of Gifford Mable & Co., in the Merrick Lodge Building, Mr. Mable was out of town. J. O. Emery, his cutter, however, was in charge and he said he did not know anything about the Shelby warrant, and the above dispatch was the first intimation he had had of the Paris trouble.

Mr. Mable has been operating in Paris for the past two or three weeks and has been running six or seven wagons through the county.

The firm has its main establishment in Chicago and is one of the class that sell at "cut prices" by sample and catalogue, and there has been some rivalry and feeling between its agents and local stores in the smaller cities.

Paris merchants have been considerably stirred up on account of the Chicago firm invading the local field, and members of the Paris Council have tried to frame a license that would be prohibitory. A member of the Paris Council came to Lexington to confer with the authorities here on the subject several weeks ago and said that his town was determined to shut out itinerants.

The Lexington authorities were after the Chicago firm for several days and made it take out a regular store license. The company's wagons operated in Fayette county for several weeks and succeeded in piling up a big batch of orders.

CHICAGO'S LEGITIMATE BUSINESS.

GIFFORD MABLE & CO.—HOW THEY TRADE.

The above firm, it will be remembered, came here recently to do business, but left for Paris in a few days because a majority of the people in the county read the papers which are continually advising against trading with strangers.

The firm's agents secure a wagon and load it with piece goods for suits, overcoats, dresses, etc. These goods are taken to farmhouses and disposed of in lots of six pieces for \$50, nothing less than this amount being accepted.

The lot of six pieces is supposed to make two suits, one overcoat, two skirts and one rainy day skirt, all of which the agent agrees to make to the purchaser's order and from his measure on presentation at their Lexington branch.

The Nicholasville Journal says:

"There the measure is taken and the

AN EXTRAORDINARY SPRING DRIVE IN TOPCOATS

We recently secured an unheard-of bargain in an all-wool Covert Overcoat, splendidly made and trimmed and out in the very latest style. In order to buy them at a give-away price we were obliged to take quite a large quantity. To make a quick turn these garments will be on sale on Saturday and Monday, the 23d and the 25th,

AT THE LOW PRICE OF \$5.90 CASH

We advise you to take advantage of this bargain. Be sure to call in on Saturday or Monday, as whatever of them are left unsold on Monday evening will go back in stock and will not be sold less than \$8.50 and \$10.

Whilst you are in to look at these Overcoats we will be glad to show you our general line of our Spring Stock. You will be interested.

THE HOME STORE D. HECHINGER & CO.

goods is ostensibly made up in Lexington to this measure, but it is said, in reality the order for the Chicago. From their ready-made stock of clothes, suits are selected that come nearest fitting the order, and with minor changes these suits, etc., are sent to the purchaser with C. O. D. bills attached for buttons, trimmings and linings. No man will refuse to pay a bill of from \$2 to \$10 when he already has \$5 invested, with no possible chance to recover."

The Log Cabin refused to publish this firm's advertisement while here.

[And THE LEADER respectfully declines the same offer from Maysville.]

To be continued—Mable.

Colonel and Mrs. S. N. Meyer will today remove from their winter home at the Beckel House, Dayton, O., to Oak Ridge Sanitarium, Green Spring, O., where the Colonel goes to ride himself of the effects of a recent siege of grip.

Mrs. Lottie Orr, widow of the late Chas. C. Orr, and the wealthiest woman in the state of Iowa, who died in a Chicago Hospital last week, was formerly a Miss Craig of Covington and her remains were sent here for burial. She was a native of Mason county, and a cousin to ex-Senator E. L. Worthington of this city.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Members and Visiting Brethren Are Invited to Attend.

Regular meeting of Council No. 16, J. O. U. A. M., tonight. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

LAFAYETTE SNEDECOR, Councilor.

M. B. EASTON, Secretary.

BEST OF ALL

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Spring-time comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by Dr. J. C. Williams, San Francisco, Cal. Sold by all druggists at 25 cents per bottle.

IF YOU Are Just Out Shopping

You are equally welcome here. We like to show our goods—we're proud of them. We know there is no more worthy up-to-date stock anywhere in the vicinity, and we know our prices are the lowest.

Our line of Watches and Diamonds is especially large. Come in and take a look anyway.

BALLENGER,

JEWELER AND OPTICIAN.

THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST!

The finest lines of dress goods at BARKLEY'S CLOSING SALE OF BOOTS and SHOES are selling now at the prices of cheap grades heretofore. For instance—The "Ultra," fit for a Queen, regular price \$5.50; now \$3 and \$2.50. They are exquisite—elegant at every point. They are the equal of any dress shoe in the world for beauty, fit and wear. There are other lines of merit in this stock on which similar reductions have been made.

IN MEN'S ELEGANT WEAR THE DROP IS ON THE SAME BASIS!

Look at this—The "Tilt" for gentlemen in Vici Kid, Velour, Patent Call and other standard new leathers. Old price \$5, \$4.50 and \$4; now \$3. The "Florsheim," worn by club men on dress occasions. Similar reductions are made on these. There are many more of these equally reputable qualities and styles now offering at like reductions. Many persons are availing themselves of the advantages now presented for buying footwear for future use from the Assignee's Sale now on at

BARKLEY'S!

See our window displays; they will interest you.

THE BEE THE WE "ROYAL" SHIRT WAISTS

Are made by HAGEDORN & MERZ, PHILADELPHIA, and are known the world over as the Waists of Fashion. Our first shipment has arrived, and a "ROYAL" reception they should receive. They are "ROYAL" for their fit, "ROYAL" for their style, "ROYAL" for their value and "ROYAL" for their wear. In order to introduce our celebrated brand of Waists in Maysville we have marked this lot regardless of value at **MANUFACTURERS' PRICES.**

WHITE LAWN AND PIQUE WAISTS, made according to the latest dictates of fashion.

INDIA LILLEN neatly tucked and hemstitched, \$1.10; worth \$1.50.

BLANDISH LAWN WAISTS, the very newest insertion effects, \$1.30; worth \$2.

LACE AND EMBROIDERY WAISTS, tucked back and front—marvels of beauty—\$1.40; worth \$2.50.

ALL-OVER EMBROIDERY WAISTS, exclusive styles, \$1.08; worth \$3.

COLORED MADRAS and PERCALE WAISTS, plain and fancy.

A SPECIAL LINE.

A SPECIAL STYLE.

A SPECIAL PRICE.

98 Cents.

OUR NEW CARPETS AND RUGS HAVE ARRIVED!

Axminsters, Tapestries and Ingrains

More About These Next Time.

KINGS OF LOW PRICES

THE MERZBROS

PROPRIETORS

BEE HIVE

It isn't often you find such Ingrain Carpets as we are showing. We had to hunt for them. The quality is the very best, the patterns new and stylish. They will especially appeal to people of exclusive taste. Anyone who is considering an inexpensive carpet should investigate this line. Prices will not count for much unless you can compare them with the carpets. Come here and judge price and carpet side by side.

YOUR WIFE!

Should have the bath and cook rooms covered with Oak Linoleum or Oil cloth. It lightens labor—rooms can be cleaned in half the time. Widths—1 yard, 1 1/2 yards, 2 yards, 3 yards. Large and small tile patterns, either light or dark. Also carpet floral designs.

THIS IS A SCHOOL for learning about Mattings and taking

China Mattings of close weave that a degree in economy too. Handsome enough to stretch perfectly smooth. Cool and fresh looking.

A long price list—12 1/2c, 15c, 18c, 25c, 35c, 45c, 50c.

D. HUNT & SON.

